CDC

****NEW OPPORTUNITY**** Global Health Prevention Specialists



The Public Health Prevention Service (PHPS) is developing a global health track that will provide a limited number of assignments working in global health during the second and third years of the Program. This track is designed for persons who want to develop their skills for careers in global health.

Colleagues working in global health areas are looking for professionals skilled in the public health sciences, but most require that job candidates have experience in global programs and settings before they are hired. The Global AIDS Program (GAP) in the National Center for HIV, STD and TB Prevention (NCHSTP) in conjunction with the PHPS Program will offer assignments for Prevention Specialists who are interested in careers in global health. Pending availability of funds, these assignments will address career development needs of the Prevention Specialist, support overall workforce development, and contribute to the stated agency priority to "work with partners to improve global health."

On-the-Job and Structured Training

First Year

The Prevention Specialists accepted into this track of the PHPS Program will work at CDC headquarters in their first year, completing two 6-month work assignments and projects relevant to public health in different program areas. During these assignments, the Prevention Specialists will build relationships and establish networks with public health partners, which might be beneficial during their public health careers.

Second and Third Years

Depending on the availability of funds, the PHPS Program and the GAP will seek up to five Prevention Specialists from the 2002 PHPS class to serve in assignments related to global health during August 2003 through September 2005. It is anticipated that the Global Health Prevention Specialists will have duty stations in Atlanta. Work assignments will focus on HIV/AIDS prevention and care and supporting different HIV/AIDS prevention programs and activities in various countries around the world. These Prevention Specialists will be expected to travel on several extended temporary duty assignments of 3-6 months duration throughout this 2-year assignment.

Note: CDC arranges travel, lodging, and per diem for the temporary duty assignment. The nature of the assignment is such that family members are not allowed to accompany employees on temporary duty assignments.

Application Process

In addition to following the instructions in the application packet, interested applicants should 1) indicate your interest at the top of your curriculum vitae, stating whether you want to be considered for the global health track only or both the domestic and global health tracks; 2) include relevant international experience on your curriculum vitae, including name of organization, country of assignment, and a description of activities; 3) include an extra page in your Personal Statement to address your desire to further develop your skills for a career in global health, if you are applying for the Global Health Prevention Specialist track,; 4) explain how this opportunity supports your developmental goals and; 5) explain what you hope to gain from this on-the-job training experience. Your application will be reviewed based on your stated preference for one or both tracks. Similarly, if you move to the second level of review, the personal interview will include questions related to global health experience and career development goals.

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